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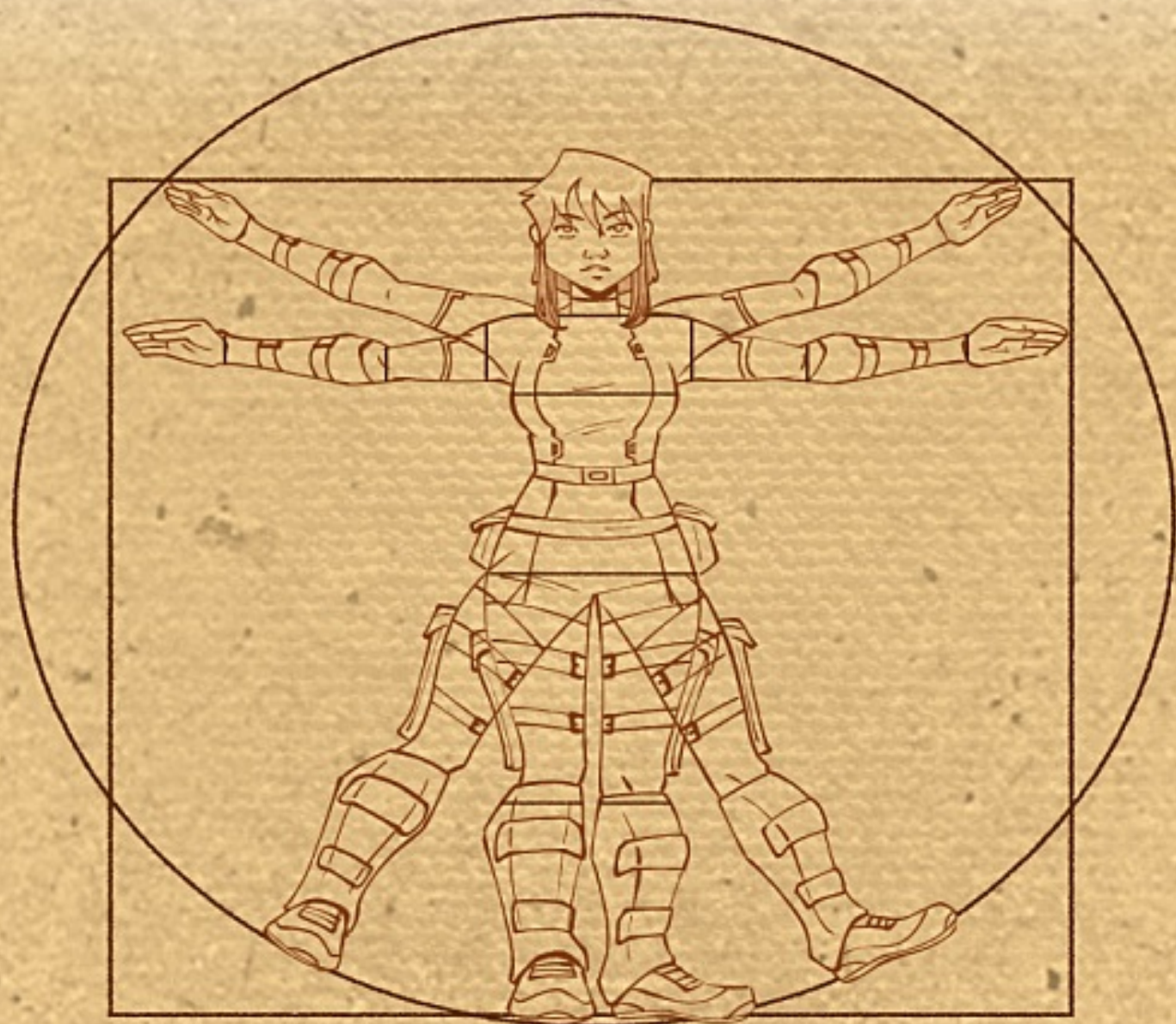
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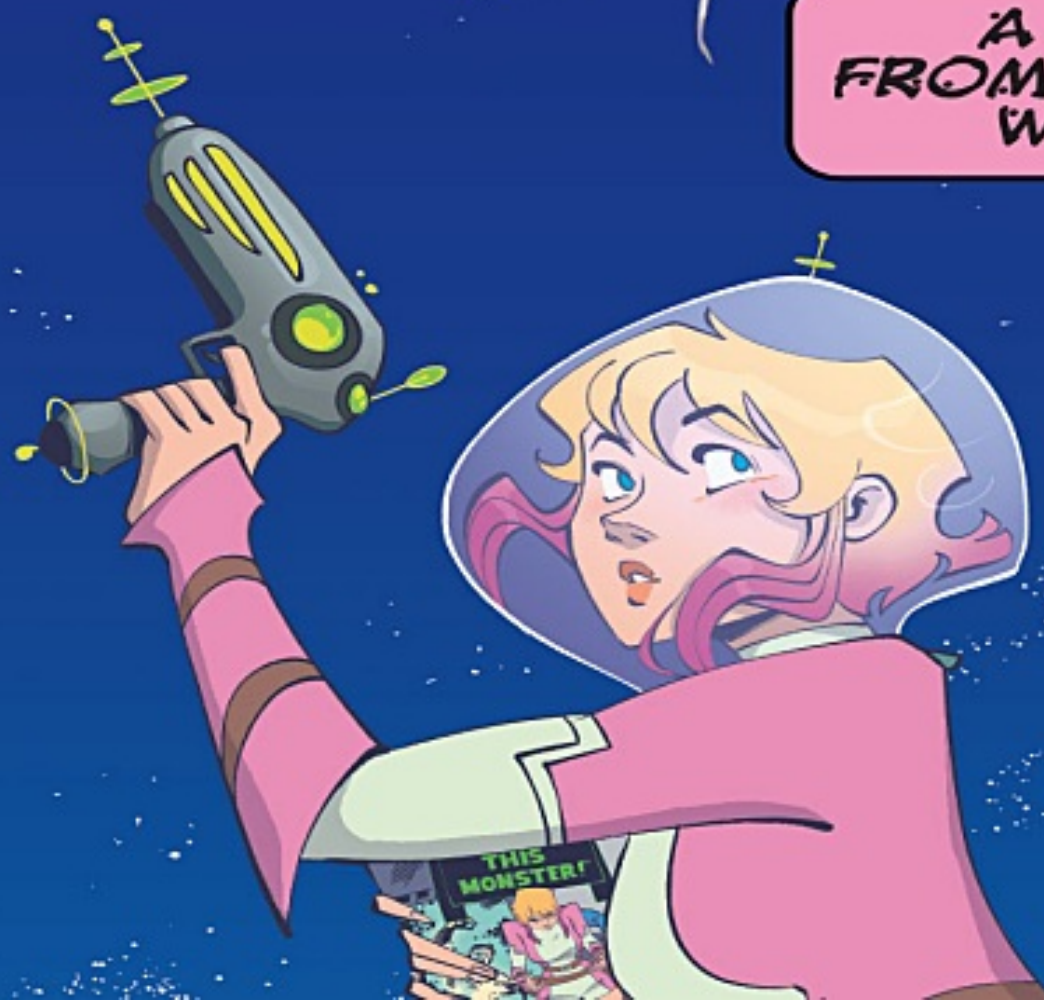
Consider,
if you will,
this girl.



She may appear to be a
perfectly normal girl, but

perfectly normal girl, but
beneath that exterior is
something very wrong.

**A THING
FROM ANOTHER
WORLD.**





She comes from a
world both like and
unlike your own.



Where the events of our
world are mere fiction,
written and drawn for the
enjoyment of children.

But she ran away
from her world
because she knew
she didn't belong.

But does she
belong here?
Find out in...

**"THIS
GIRL...
THIS
MONSTER!"**





No,
stop that,
Gwen!

You're not
a monster! You're
just a person with
her own complex
inner life.

YONK

**"THIS
GIRL...
THIS
MONSTER!"**

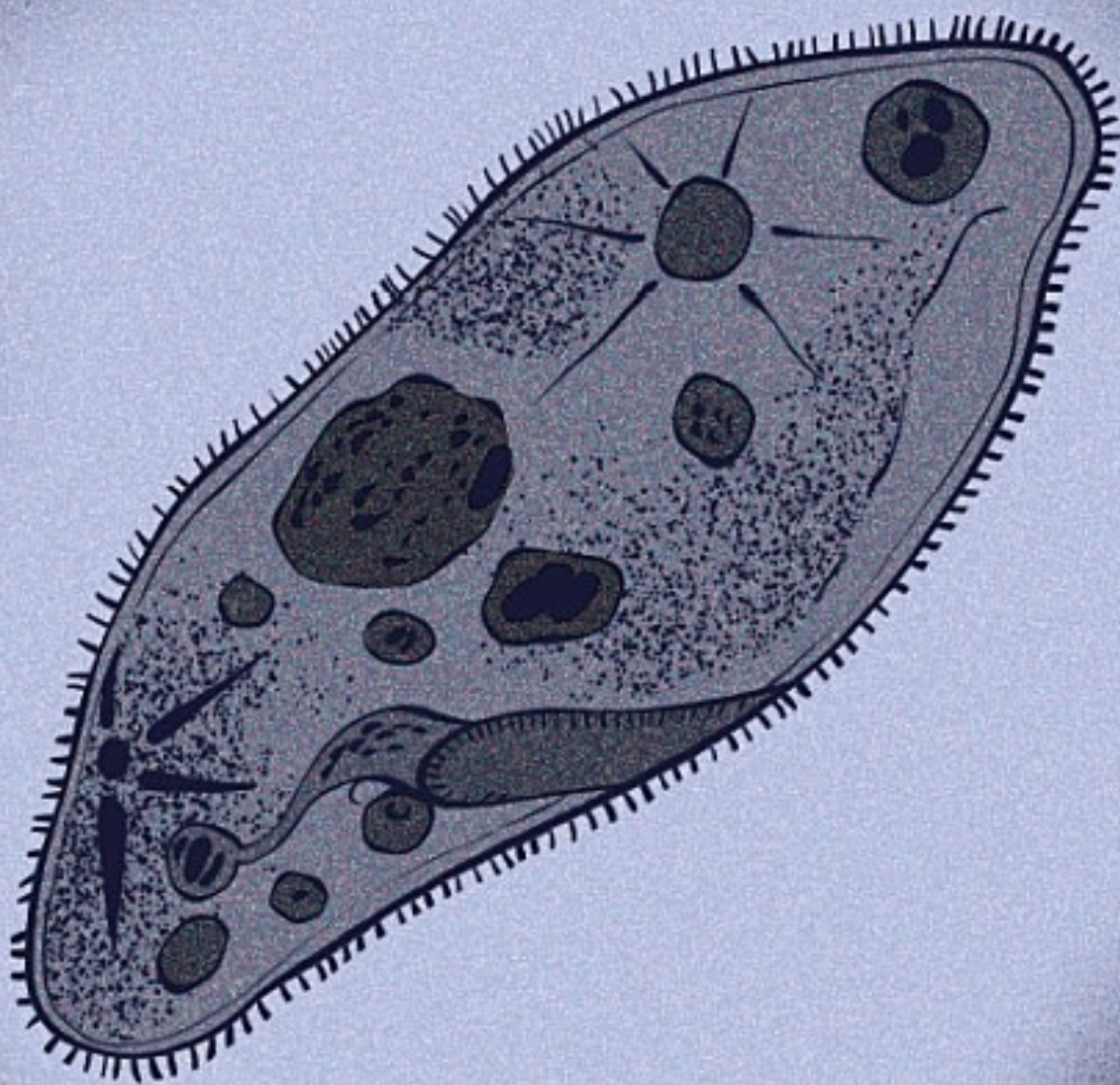


Okay,
sorry, you're
gonna have to
help me with
this.

You said
you thought
I was asexual.
I know I didn't
graduate high
school, but
isn't that...?

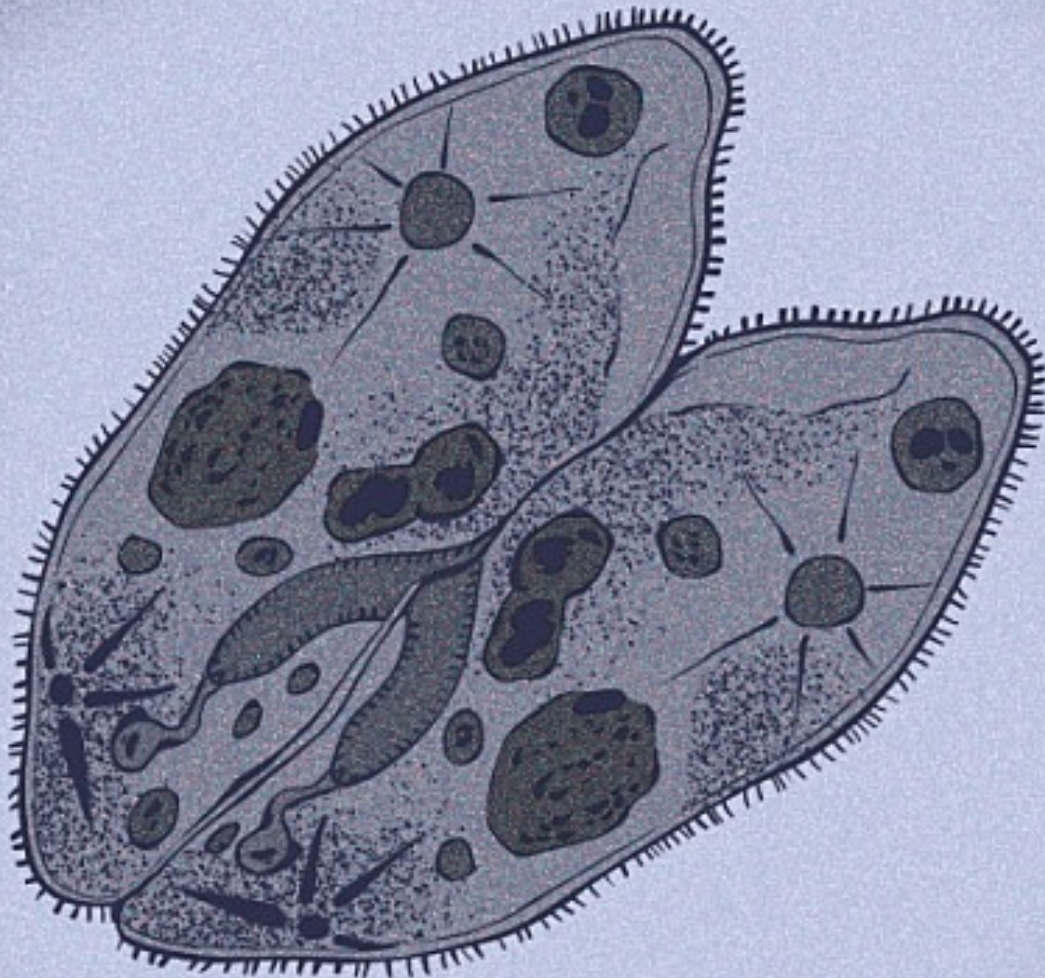


The paramecium is a unicellular ciliated protozoon.



It is a single-celled organism with no gender.

It reproduces *ASEXUALLY*.



**Through binary fission, it splits,
making ~~two perfect~~ copies of itself.**

Nope, nope,
nope, that's asexual
reproduction.

But
take it from a
bisexual...



...who
you're attracted
to, what you want
from a relationship
and what turns you on
don't have to have
anything to do with
reproduction.





I know
when I'm in
over my head.
You're coming
with me!

But
wait, that's my
emotional support
protozoon!



This is
the ESU Pride
Club. And this is our
elected Ace Rep,
Ronnie.



Hey,
Julie! Who's
this?





Ronnie,
Gwen is brand

new to the idea
of asexuality. Like,
"isn't that what
protozoa do"
new.

Oh dear--
stand aside!

I can
help!

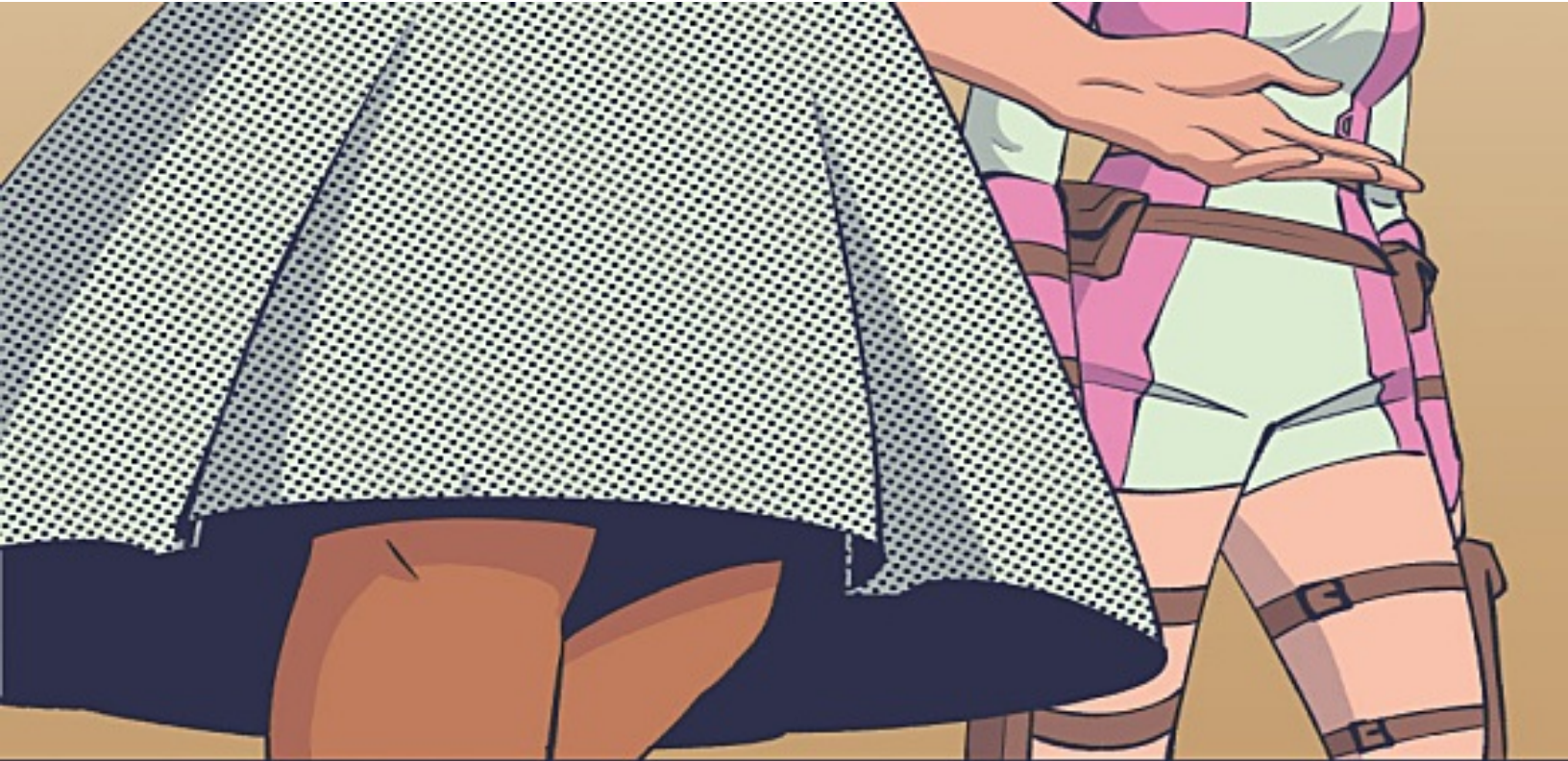


Let's
start with
the basics,
Gwen.

Being
asexual means
you don't feel sexual
attraction--or the same
drive or need for sex--
that allosexual
people do.

Allosexual?





You know,
people who seem to
let their hormones
determine who they
spend their lives
with?



Oh
my gosh,
yes!

That
sounds made up,
right? Like science
fiction!


I know



exactly what
you mean.

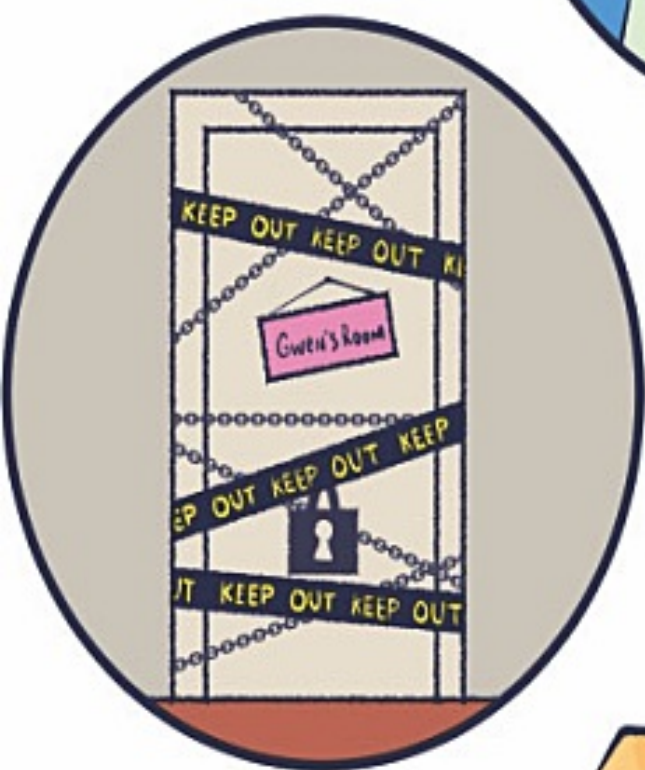
It's not that
we don't find people
attractive or know
when people are hot, it's
just that that aesthetic
value isn't necessarily
connected directly to
sexual desire.

Or in
some cases,
we don't feel
sexual desire
at all.



Okay, so,
that absolutely
sounds like
me.

But what do I
do now? Become
a nun? Shut myself
off from society?
Die alone?





You only
have to do any
of those if you
want to.

I, for one,
am demisexual. That
means I only feel a sexual
attraction to someone
when we already share
a deep emotional
connection.







Wait,
there's a
spectrum?





I'm a
comic-book
nerd, so I, like,
love minutia and
power rankings
and--

Whoa, whoa,
whoa, it's not about
power ranking, and you
don't have to try to be
the "best type" of
asexual.

You saw
where I was
going with that,
huh?




The spectrum
is more about where you
fall in terms of romantic desire

and sexual attraction, which a lot of people don't realize are two separate things.

You can still be homo-, hetero- or biromantic.

Or you can be aromantic, which means you don't like the romance stuff at all.





You can even
be gray asexual or
grayromantic, which
means you feel like
you're somewhere
between allosexual
and asexual.

Okay, I
definitely think
I fall in here
somewhere.



Like, I've spent years kinda... going along with what other people want, but *I know* I don't feel the same desire for sexy times other people do.

I mean, no offense. If I was going to, it would absolutely be for you, Julie.



you, June.



You're
a smoke show. A
snack. I am absolutely
one of those fans who
drew doodles of you with
too many abs when you
were in *Avengers
Academy*.




Thanks.
No offense
taken.

Even with me, I never really knew what to do with all of this. Like, how am I even supposed to be sexy?

The only thing I knew for sure is that I like my legs. That's why whenever they try to give me a full-length costume, I cut the legs off. Like, that's part of me I feel like I got right.





A comic panel featuring two characters. On the left, a woman with blonde hair and a pink jacket is shown in profile, gesturing with her hand. On the right, a blonde woman in a black and pink jumpsuit stands with her arms crossed. A speech bubble from the woman on the right says, "Oh, you're not wrong about that. You have dynamite gams." A pink speech bubble from the woman on the left says, "Thank you, bi-icon Julie Power." The background consists of a large window with vertical panes.

Oh,
you're not
wrong about
that. You have
dynamite
gams.

Thank you,
bi-icon Julie
Power.



I hope
someone adds
"dynamite gams" to
my list of powers in
my wiki entry.



I guess
being gifted with
the legs of a young
Carol Danvers doesn't
mean I have to wrap
'em around
somebody.

I don't think
I want romance, but
is there a thing where
two people count on each
other and watch horror
movies together and
and and...

...they will
snuggle me and tell
me things are going to
be okay when I'm awake
until four in the morning
thinking about the
heat death of the
universe?





I think what
you're talking about
is a queerplatonic
partnership.

Listen,

ace people kinda
have to make our own
rules because the old
ones don't work
for us.



Some ace people like physical affection, some don't. Some enjoy sex, even if they don't need it the same way. Some are just happy to have close friends.

The key is to be honest with yourself and the people in your life about what you want and need.

Erg, can you give me just a second?

Julie Power, you beautiful, kind, understanding, devastatingly tall,



perfect bisexual
rainbow...

...can
I have
a--?

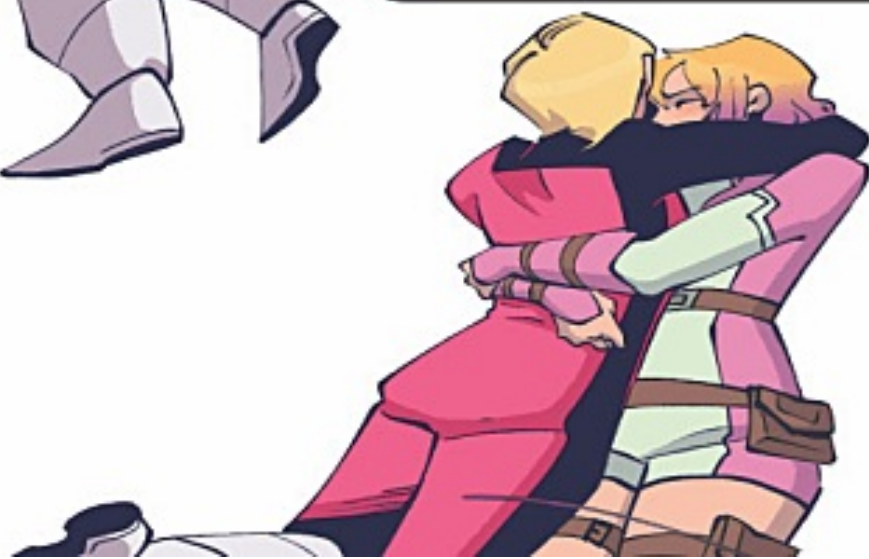


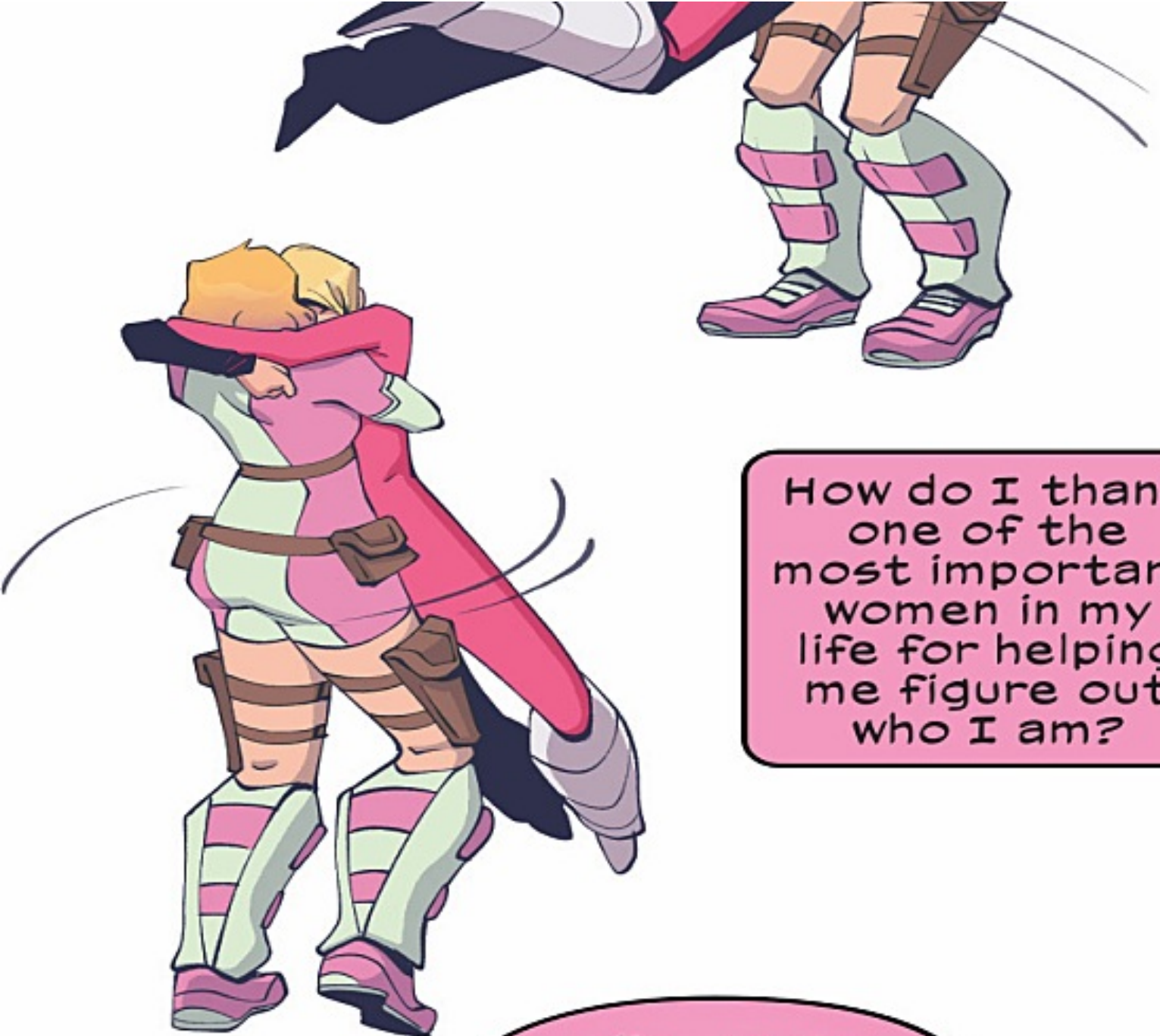
Mmph!



Of
course you
can!

How do I even begin
to thank one of the
most important
characters in my
life for everything
she's given me over
the years?





How do I thank one of the most important women in my life for helping me figure out who I am?

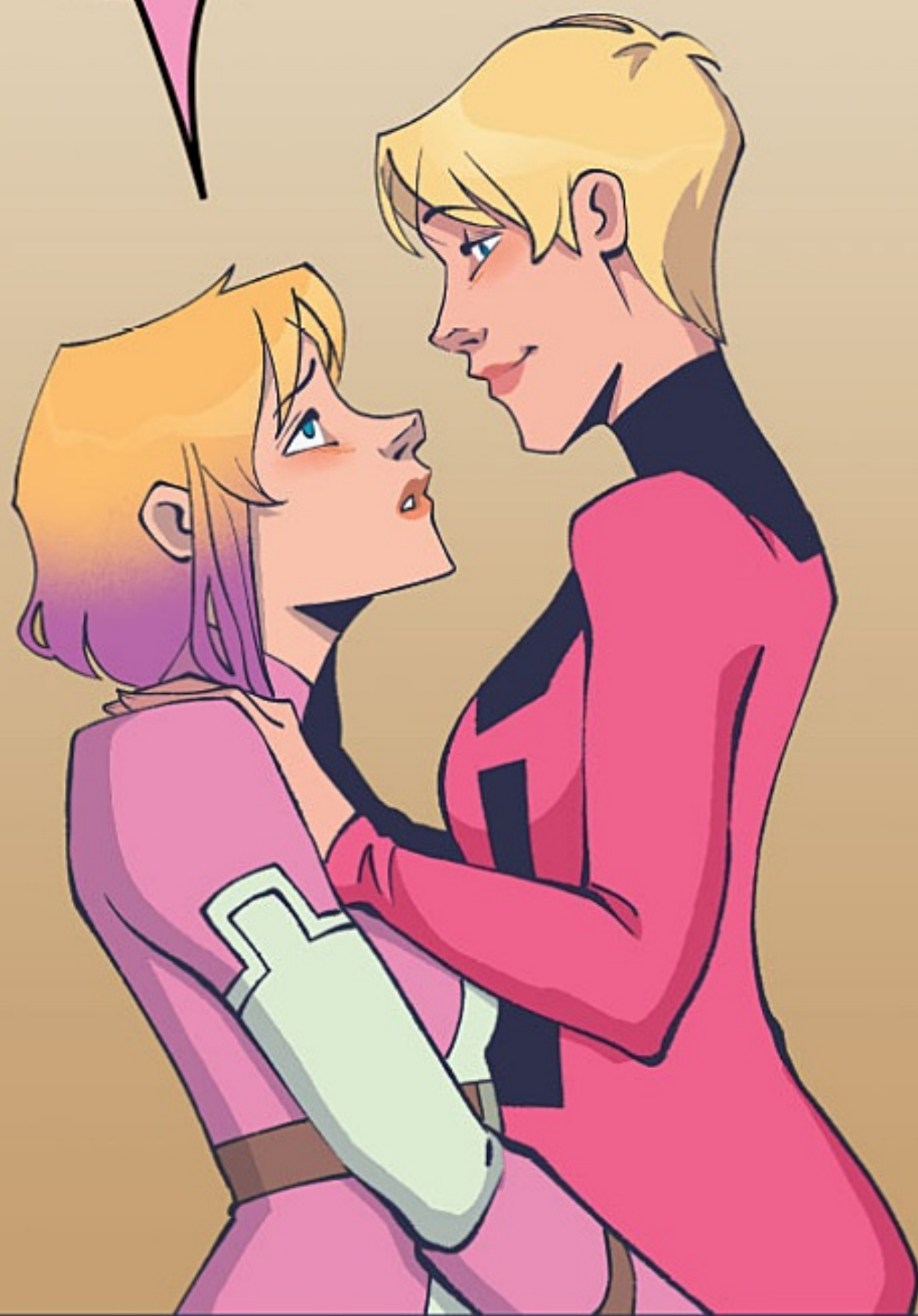
Julie, you're one of the most amazing people I've ever met. It's like...you and Batroc.



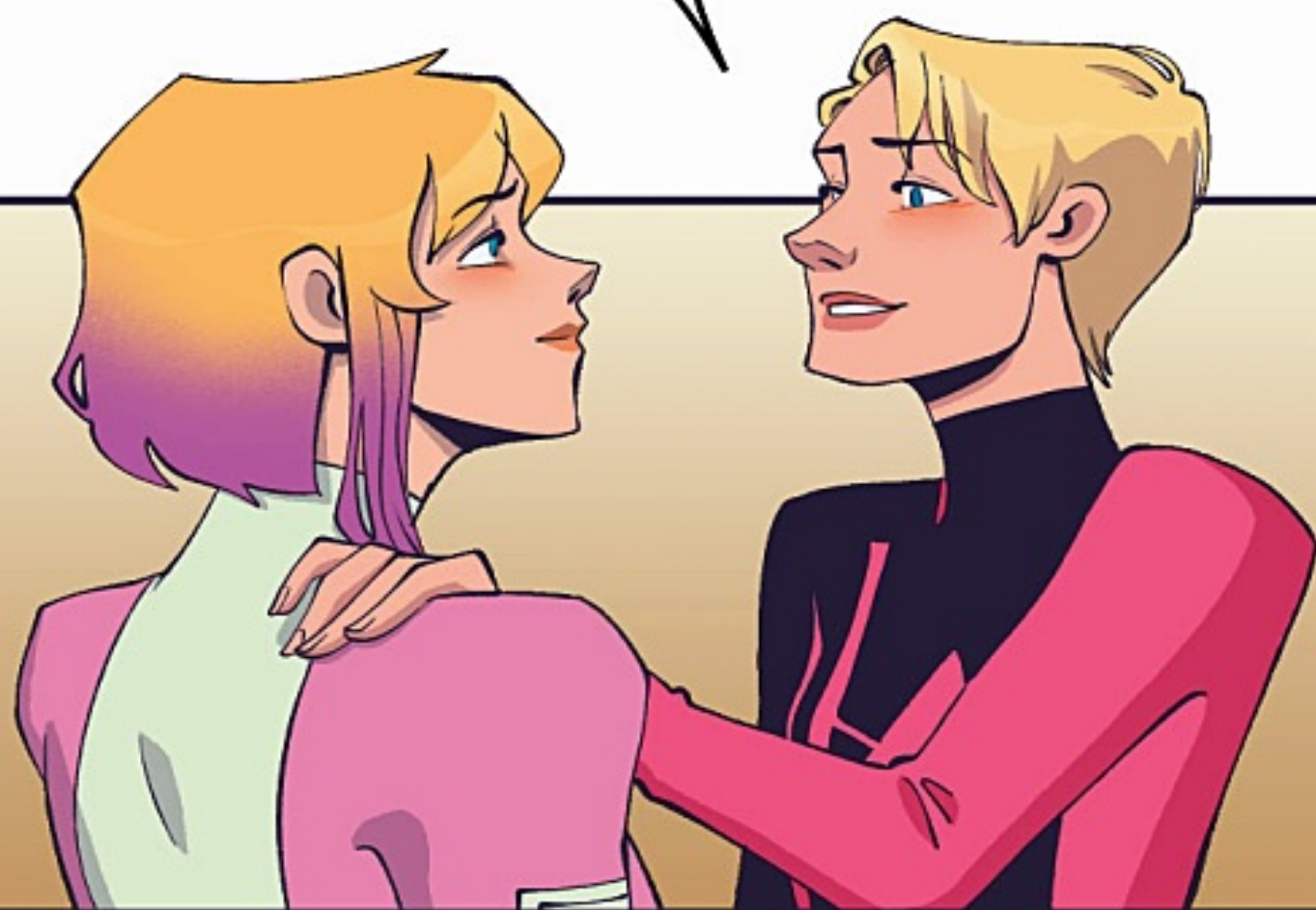


But I think
I'm asexual and
aromantic, and I know
you need something I

you need something I
can't give
you.



Thanks
for telling
me.




I release
you. Go
find your
people.

Thank you!
And I'm rooting



And I'm rooting
for you! You'll find
the right girl...or boy,
or nonbinary hottie.
I kinda hope it's
a girl, but you
do you!



A comic panel featuring a light beige background with a faint, dark grey grid of intersecting diagonal lines. Two speech bubbles are present. The first is a white bubble with a black outline on the left, containing text about forbidden romances. The second is a pink bubble with a black outline on the right, containing a reaction. The pink bubble's tail points towards the bottom right corner, where a small portion of an orange shape is visible.

Okay, tell
me if this rings a
bell--I grew up loving
forbidden romances.
Like, anything where
they definitely can't
be together.

Oh my gosh!
I totally tried to
date a guy because
he had a super-power
where he couldn't
touch me!



Ha!
That's a
classic.

Good to
meet you. I'm
Rory. I'm gray
ace.

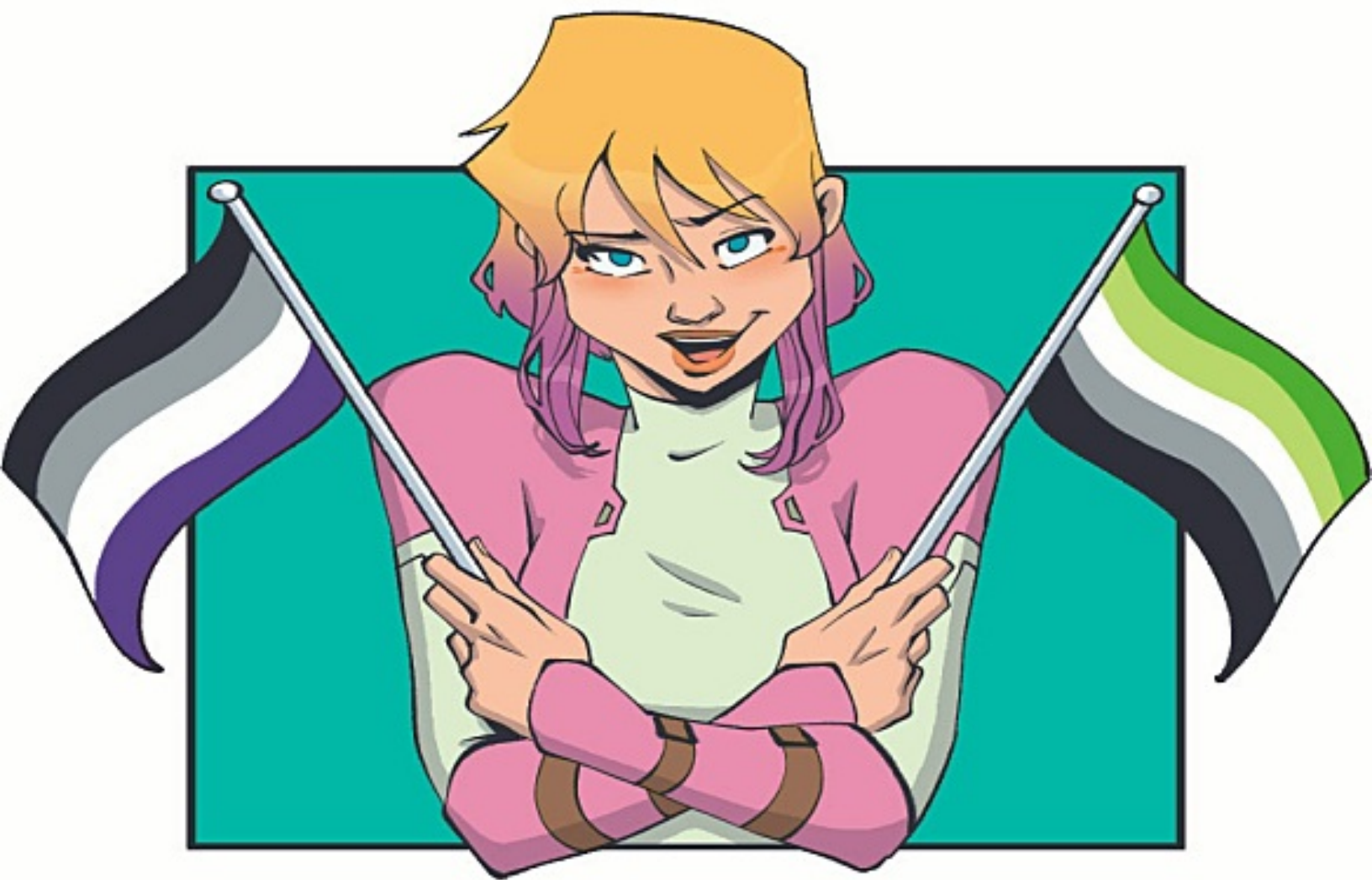




Hey,
everybody, bonus
panel for your
avatar!

It's
your girl
Gwenpool!

**ASEXUAL
ICON!**



**THE
END!**



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